



TO: Higher Education Committee

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SUBJECT: Update on the Implementation of the edTPA Teacher Certification Requirement in New York State

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SUMMARY

Issue for Discussion

The Department will present the Higher Education Committee with an update on the implementation of the edTPA teacher certification requirement in New York State, including a summary of the reconvened edTPA Task Force recommendations and discussions related to the Library Specialist edTPA.

Reason for Consideration

For Information.

Proposed Handling

This item is submitted to the Higher Education Committee for discussion at its January 2020 Board of Regents meeting.

Background Information

The edTPA became a certification requirement for most teacher candidates on May 1, 2014 in New York State. This subject-specific performance assessment evaluates teacher candidates' ability to plan for instruction and assessment, instruct and engage students in learning, and assess student learning. Candidates typically complete the edTPA during their student teaching or practicum experience.

The Stanford Center for Assessment, Learning, and Equity (SCALE) designed the edTPA handbooks in collaboration with higher education faculty, P-12 educators, and professional organizations. The Evaluation Systems Group of Pearson is the vendor that administers the edTPA.

In January 2017, the Department and members of the reconvened edTPA Task Force presented the Task Force recommendations to the Board of Regents. The Department will present the Task Force recommendations and the actions taken in response to them over the past three years related to edTPA passing scores, edTPA handbooks, the Multiple-Measures Review Process (MMRP), student teaching, and certification.

A group of directors of the New York State school library graduate programs wrote a joint statement in July 2016 regarding their concerns with the Library Specialist edTPA. The Department will summarize the unique issues related to the Library Specialist edTPA and the discussions in response to their concerns between the program directors, SCALE, Pearson, and/or the Department from November 2017 through April 2019.

In October 2019, SCALE released the updated version of the edTPA for school library candidates, now called School Librarian/Library Specialist edTPA. Consistent with requests of the school library graduate program directors, the updated version is not intended for consequential use until fall 2020; it was published a year early so that programs can examine the revisions and plan for any potential program changes. School library candidates and programs will use the current Library Specialist edTPA until fall 2020.

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Recommendation

N/A

Timetable for Implementation

N/A